

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title as follows:

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Following the title, please insert the following paragraphs:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO PRIOR APPLICATION

This is a U.S. National Phase application under 35 U.S.C. §371 of International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/006015, filed April 26, 2004, and claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2003-134586, filed May 13, 2003 and 2003-369540, filed October 29, 2003, both of which are incorporated by reference herein. The International Application was published in Japanese on November 25, 2004 as WO 2004/100689 A1 under PCT Article 21(2).

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 32, line 23 with the following amended paragraph:

--The bottom line 22 is cut overall at an angle of 5° (the cutting angle is $180^\circ - 5^\circ = 175^\circ$), but the overall bottom line is cut to a wave shape with a plurality of waves, so that the wave-shaped line is cut at an angle exceeding 5° (i.e. an angle that is smaller than 175° in terms of the cutting angle). The waist line 23 is a curved line that is slightly curved downward, and the virtual straight line connecting Q and M at the two ends of the waist line is an edge that is cut at an angle of 40° (cutting angle) with respect to the knitting direction 14 of the knitted fabric. The waist line 23 is a curved line that is slightly curved in downward direction of the garment, so that the actual cutting angle is an angle that surpasses and falls below 40°. That is to say, the waist line 23 forming the edge at the upper side is not parallel to the bottom line ~~23~~ 22 forming the edge at the lower side.--

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 40, line 28 with the following amended paragraph:

--Reference numeral 53 denotes a strap attachment location. A strap 41 is attached by

passing the strap 41 through a strap attachment ring at the strap attachment location 45-53, folding the strap attachment location 53 in two, and sewing its front end to the back cloth 35. The strap attachment location 53 is continuous with the back cloth 35, and is cut in one piece with the back cloth. Its edge portion is left as cut and does not require hem finishing. The broadest width of the back cloth 35 is set to 9 cm and the narrowest width is set to 4 cm.--